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CORRECTING INK DROPLETS PLACEMENT ERRORS, AND METHOD FOR

CORRECTING INK DROPLETS PLACEMENT ERRORS

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a. <u>JP 9-1789</u>. The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application.

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